

ARMED SERVICES BOARD OF CONTRACT APPEALS

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

DIRECTOR OF THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY

SUBJECT:

Report of Transactions and Proceedings of the Armed Services Board

of Contract Appeals for the Fiscal Year Ending 30 September 2010

This report is furnished under paragraph 9 of the Charter of the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals, revised 14 May 2007. The statistics reflect the adjudication of appeals of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Corps of Engineers, Defense Logistics Agency, Defense Contract Management Agency, and other defense agencies. Also included are appeals of various agencies which have been adjudicated under inter-agency arrangements.

The following statistics cover the activities of the Board during the reporting period and the current reserve of pending matters:

A.	Appeals Docketed During FY 2010	465
B.	Appeals Disposed During FY 2010	424
C.	Appeals Pending	
	Number of Appeals Pending 1 October 2005 Number of Appeals Pending 1 October 2006 Number of Appeals Pending 1 October 2007 Number of Appeals Pending 1 October 2008 Number of Appeals Pending 1 October 2009 Number of Appeals Pending 1 October 2010	644 552 637 572 532 573
	Net Increase in Docket, FY 2010	41

D. Source of Appeals Docketed FYs 2006-2010

	<u>FY06</u>	<u>FY07</u>	<u>FY08</u>	<u>FY 09</u>	<u>FY 10</u>		
Army	92	148	80	113	114		
Navy	65	56	73	30	62		
Air Force	62	208	36	41	62		
Corps of Eng.	115	110	148	110	140		
DLA & DCMA	55	53	32	66	49		
Other Agencies	29	21	10	12	9		
Reinstated	_20	28	<u>23</u>	_32	29		
TOTAL	438	624	402	404	465		
E. Appeals Disposed During FYs 2006-2010							
	<u>FY 06</u>	<u>FY07</u>	<u>FY08</u>	<u>FY 09</u>	<u>FY 10</u>		
1. Origin of Appeals							
Army	88	100	117	74	126		
Navy	91	86	59	60	70		
Air Force	72	119	123	68	32		
Corps of Eng.	146	156	88	158	123		
DLA & DCMA	93	54	51	65	58		
Other Agencies	35	24	29	19	15		
Admin. Disposal	5	0	0	0	0		
TOTAL	530	539	467	444	424		
2. Rule 12 Proceedings	33	29	15	19	25		
3. Disposition							
Sustained	86	96	69	69	61		
Denied	51	38	41	34	46		
Dismissed	393	405	<u>357</u>	341	317		
TOTAL	530	539	467	444	424		
F. Status of Appeals Pending 1 October 2010							
Complaint Due			95				
Answer Due 5			56				
Discovery			174				
To Be Set			37				
Hearing Set			95				
Transcript & Briefs Due			22				
Suspense			61				
Ready to Write			_33				
TOTAL			573				

Of the Board's 573 active appeals, the Army has 186 (32.5%), the Navy has 78 (13.6%), the Air Force has 80 (14.0%), the Corps of Engineers has 162 (28.3%), DLA and DCMA have 54 (9.4%), and the remaining 13 appeals (2.3%) are from other sources. At the conclusion of FY 2010, there were 8 appeals being processed under Board Rule 12 (2 expedited and 6 accelerated), 6 applications under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 2 motions for reconsideration, and 0 court remands.

In FY 2010, the Board disposed of 107 appeals on the merits. Of those dispositions, 57.0% of the decisions found merit in whole or in part. The Board dismissed 317 appeals. In the majority of cases, a dismissal reflects that the parties have reached a settlement. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit docketed 9 appeals from Board decisions, and 8 appeals were pending at the close of the fiscal year. Of the 12 dispositions by the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit involving appeals of ASBCA decisions: 7 were affirmed, 2 were dismissed, 1 was reversed and remanded, 1 was reversed, and 1 was transferred to a Federal District Court. A Board decision in a WMATA case that was appealed to the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia was affirmed by that court. During FY 10, the Board did not receive any requests from District Courts for an advisory opinion under the Cochran Amendment (41 U.S.C. § 609(f)).

During FY 2010, parties requested the Board's ADR services 27 times, covering 58 appeals and 2 undocketed disputes. Of the 27 requests, 2 were for binding ADR covering 3 appeals and 25 requests were for non-binding ADR covering 55 appeals and 2 undocketed disputes. Fourteen of the requests received during the year were pending at the close of the fiscal year. Of the 18 requests subject to non-binding procedures concluded during the year, not limited to FY 2010 requests, 1 was withdrawn and 16 were successfully resolved.

PAUL WILLIAMS

Chairman

Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals